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REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

With respect to the Information Disclosure Statement filed January 14, 2010, the Examiner has never initialed and returned a copy of the previously supplied Form PTO-1449 indicating consideration of the references. With respect to the Information Disclosure Statement filed October 14, 2009, the Examiner has never returned a copy of the PTO-1449 in which the M. Oshikiri et al. "Pitch Filtering ni yoru..." reference was initialed. M. Oshikiri et al. was cited in the PCT International Search Report (ISR) dated January 11, 2005 and should be considered pursuant to MPEP 1893.03(g). Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to initial and return a copy of the attached Form PTO-1449 indicating consideration of the previously mentioned references. For the Examiner's convenience, a PTO-1449, listing the references, and reference M. Oshikiri were loaded onto PAIR via EFS on April 14, 2010. It is noted that PAIR contains a copy of the other cited references, a copy of the IDS, and a copy of the ISR.

Respectfully submitted,

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